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APPLICANTS : ACHIM FRANCK ET AL  
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FOR : REDETACHABLE DEVICE  
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Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 18 as follows:

*A1*  
18. ~~Method of using a device as claimed in claim 1 for redetachable self-adhesive~~  
*B*  
fastening and redetachment by pulling on the grip tab of the strip in the direction  
of the bond plane.